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Title: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING SEMISOLID METAL
SLURRIES AND SHAPED COMPONENTS****DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
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